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In re the Application of Gerhard J. Haas

Serial No. 10/046,897

Art Unit 1651

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Examiner Susan D. Coe

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For: Hop-Based Udder and Teat Dips and Washes

**SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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S I R:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed August 21, 2003, submitted herewith is a translation of Japanese Patent Application No. Y1-172332, which has been cited as primary reference against the above-identified patent application. The translation has been certified by Dr. Takeo Ohashi, of New York, N.Y., as evidenced by the attached Translation Certificate. Dr. Ohashi is president of Ohashi High Technology Corporation, of 350 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

It is respectfully submitted that this translation is confirmatory of prior, less formal translations, in that it affirms that there is no disclosure in the translated Japanese Application that hop compositions are useful as udder and teat dips or washes. Indeed, the

reference's hop compositions are administered in feedstock or water for cattle, and when the reference discusses the dosage of the composition to be administered, it does so with respect to the weight of the cow. Thus it is submitted that the Japanese Application teaches away from applicant's claimed invention, as the weight of the cow would be irrelevant to the concentration of hops in a dip or wash.

As the prior art rejections are all dependent on the Japanese Application, either alone or in combination with other art, it is respectfully submitted that the prior art rejections are no longer sustainable. Further, positive reconsideration by the Examiner is respectfully requested. In addition to this faxed Supplemental Request, a hard copy is being mailed on this same date.

Respectfully submitted,

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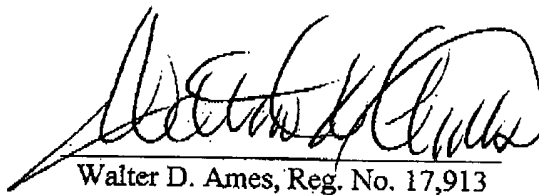
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